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FROM COMMERCE

SUBJ: DENT VISIT: AGENDA

RE (A) SEOUL 4216; (B) STATE 130870

1. FORMAT OF AGENDA CONTAINED REF A ACCEPTABLE TO COMMERCE. SUGGEST HOWEVER THAT TERMS "KOREAN TOPICS" AND "US TOPICS" (AS USED IN PREVIOUS MINISTERIALS) BE SUBSTITUTED FOR "KOREAN PRESENTATION" AND "US PRESENTATION", PARTICULARLY IN VIEW INFORMAL NATURE OF WORKING SESSIONS.

2. FOLLOWING IS COMMERCE'S REVISION OF AGENDA TOPICS, LARGELY REFLECTING MINOR LANGUAGE CHANGES AND SHIFT OF TWO US TOPICS (INSURANCE, PATENT AND TRADEMARKS) FROM AGENDA ITEM II TO ITEM I. ALSO HAVE DELETED TOPIC ON ACCOUNTING FIRMS SINCE NOT AWARE OF RECENT COMPLAINTS.

IF EMB BELIEVES THIS SHOULD BE INCLUDED, PLEASE TELEGRAPH POSITION PAPER.

AGENDA ITEM I - KOREA'S EFFORTS TO ATTRACT INCREASED US INVESTMENT

KOREAN TOPICS: (A) VISIT OF DEPUTY PRIMIN TAE TO THE US; (B) ELECTRONICS TEAM VISIT TO THE US; (C) KOREA-US ECONOMIC COUNCIL;
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KD) KENNEDY INVESTMENT MISSION TO KOREA.

US TOPICS: (A) KOREAN FOREIGN INVESTMENT CLIMATE; (B) US GOVT'S ROLE IN ENCOURAGING INVESTMENT IN LDC'S; (C) OPERATIONS OF US INSURANCE COMPANIES IN KOREA; (D) PATENT AND TRADEMARK PROTECTION IN KOREA.

AGENDA ITEM II - PROSPECTS FOR INCREASED IMPORTS OF US PRODUCTS INTO KOREA

KOREAN TOPICS: (A) KOREAN PURCHASING MISSION TO THE US; (B) US TRADE CENTER IN SEOUL; (C) MACHINE INDUSTRY CONFERENCE.

US TOPICS: (A) LIBERALIZATION OF KOREA'S IMPORT RESTRICTIONS; (B) COPYRIGHT PROTECTION IN KOREA; (C) REVIEW OF BILATERAL TRADE STATISTICS.

AGENDA ITEM III-PROSPECTS FOR INCREASED EXPORTS OF KOREAN PRODUCTS TO THE US.

KOREAN TOPICS: (A) TRADE PROMOTION EFFORTS; (B) TARIFF PREFERENCES FOR LDC'S; (C) AMERICAN SELLING PRICE; (D) OPERATION OF US-KOREAN TEXTILE AGREEMENTS.

US TOPIC: (A) GSP AND US TRADE REFORM BILL

AGENDA ITEM IV - TRADE DEVELOPMENT INSTRUMENTS

KOREAN TOPICS: (A) REGULAR WORKING-LEVEL TRADE TALKS; (B) COMMERCIAL LANGUAGE TRAINING CENTER IN SEOUL.

US TOPIC - (A) SIXTH COMMERCE MINISTERS MEETING

3. WOULD APPRECIATE EMB'S TELEGRAPHING BRIEF POSITION PAPERS ON FOLLOWING TWO KOREAN TOPICS: I(C) - KOREA-US ECONOMIC COUNCIL; AND IV(A) - REGULAR WORKING-LEVEL TRADE TALKS.

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